

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

The House was not in session. It will next meet on Monday, April 27.

## Committee Meetings

### HCFA—INSPECTOR GENERAL'S AUDIT

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Health and Environment, the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations and the Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology of the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight held a joint hearing on the Department of Health and Human Services Inspector General's Audit of the Health Care Financing Administration's Fiscal Year 1997 Financial Statements. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: June Gibbs Brown, Inspector General; Joe Vengrin, Assistant Inspector General and Nancy-Ann Min DeParle, Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration.

## Joint Meetings

### ISTEA AUTHORIZATION

*Conferees* continued to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 2400, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again on Tuesday, April 28.

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## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of April 27 through May 2, 1998

### Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will consider Treaty Doc. 105-36, NATO Enlargement, and the nominations of Scott Snyder Fleming, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Education for Legislation and Congressional Affairs, with a vote to occur thereon at 6 p.m., Garr M. King, to be United States District Judge for the District of Oregon, Gregory Moneta Sleet, to be United States District Judge for the District of Delaware, and Cherryll T. Thomas, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Railroad Retirement Board.

On *Tuesday*, Senate will resume consideration (Treaty Doc. 105-36) NATO Enlargement, and vote on the conference report on H.R. 1757, State Department Reorganization at 2:25 p.m.

During the balance of the week, Senate expects to complete consideration of NATO Enlargement Treaty, and may consider H.R. 1270, Nuclear Waste Policy Act, S. 1873, Missile Defense Act, and any executive and legislative business cleared for action.

(Senate will recess on Tuesday, April 28, 1998, from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for respective party conferences.)

### Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* April 30, to hold hearings to examine agricultural transportation issues, 9 a.m., SR-332.

*Committee on Appropriations:* April 28, Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the United States Agency for International Development, 2:30 p.m., SD-192.

April 29, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Department of Defense, focusing on Army programs, 10 a.m., SD-192.

April 30, Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1999 for the Environmental Protection Agency, and the Council on Environmental Quality, 9:30 a.m., SD-138.

*Committee on the Budget:* April 28, to hold hearings to examine Japan's economic difficulties and their potential United States impact, 10 a.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* April 28, to hold hearings to examine possible problems relating to the Year 2000 computer conversion, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

April 28, Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings to examine the Department of Commerce's Federal research and development needs, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

April 29, Subcommittee on Communications, to hold hearings to examine satellite reform, focusing on regulation policy and deregulation, 10 a.m., SR-253.

April 30, Full Committee, to hold hearings on the nominations of James M. Loy, USC, to be Commandant, and James C. Card, USC, to be Vice Commandant, both of the United States Coast Guard, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

April 30, Full Committee, business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SR-253.

April 30, Subcommittee on Aviation, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for the Airport Improvement Program, 2 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* April 28, Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to hold hearings on S. 326, to provide for the reclamation of abandoned hardrock mines, S. 327, to ensure that Federal taxpayers receive a fair return for the extraction of locatable minerals on public domain lands, and S. 1102, to provide a reasonable royalty from mineral activities on